Corrupt officers

+2506. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of senior officers who have been found guilty of corruption in the last three years;

(b) the number of officers out of them who have been sent to jail; and

(c) the names of those officers who have been sent to jail after they were found guilty along with the details thereof for the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (c) Five senior officers of the rank of Joint Secretary and above have been convicted by the trial courts during last three years *i.e.* 2003-2004, and 2005 (upto 30.11.2005) in cases investigated by CBI. All the five officers have been sentenced for Rigorous Imprisonment of varying duration beside imposition of fine. However, they have filed appeals against the sentence.

Investigation of organized crimes

2507. SHRI SANJAY RAUT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased **i** to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recent statement of the Director, Central Bureau of Investigation for taking their own decisions towards investigations of organized crimes in the country without taking the permissions or orders of State Government or Judicial authority;

. (b) if so, Government's views and reaction thereto;

(c) whether Government are considering to issue necessary freedom and authority for investigations at various level;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI):

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.